Out of Office Assistant

○ I am currently In the Office

● I am currently Out of the Office

AutoReply only once to each sender with the following text:

Arvind is out of office till Jan 2nd at Developers Forum.
For Toaster design team, please contact John at (888) 555-1212.
For Process Engineering, please contact Kathy at (888) 555-1111.
For urgent issues, call cellphone (888) 555-3456.

These rules will be applied to incoming messages while you are out of the office:

Status Conditions   Actions

Move Up
Move Down

Add Rule...   Edit Rule...   Delete Rule   ☑ Show rules for all profiles

OK   Cancel   Help

FIG. 1 (PRIOR ART)

Out of Office Assistant — □ ×

C I am Currently In th office

C I am Currently out of the office

External Responder

> Arvind is out of office till Jan 2nd. Happy Holidays !!

Internal Responder

Treat these domain names
as internal

> mycompany.com

> Arvind is at Developers' Forum, and will be back on Jan 3rd.
> For Toaster design team, please contact John at (888) 555-1212.
> For Process Engineering, please contact Kathy at (888) 555-1111.
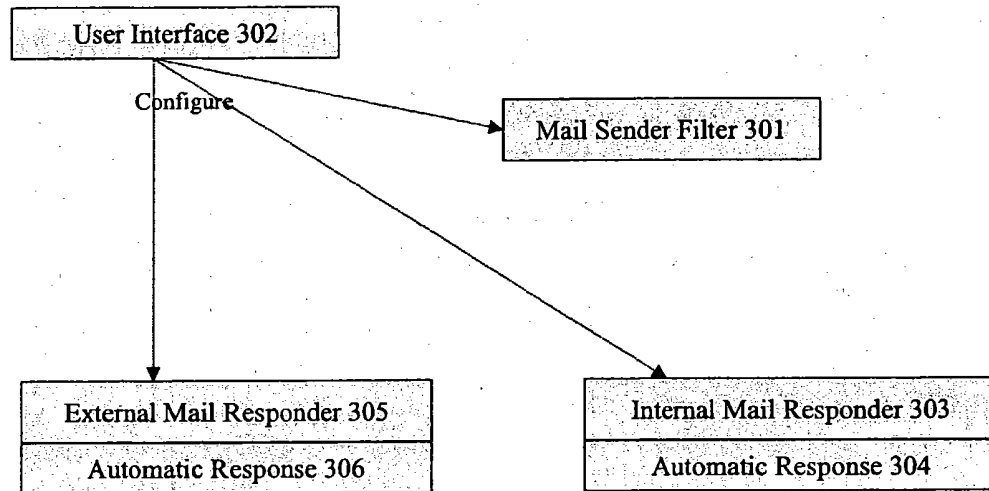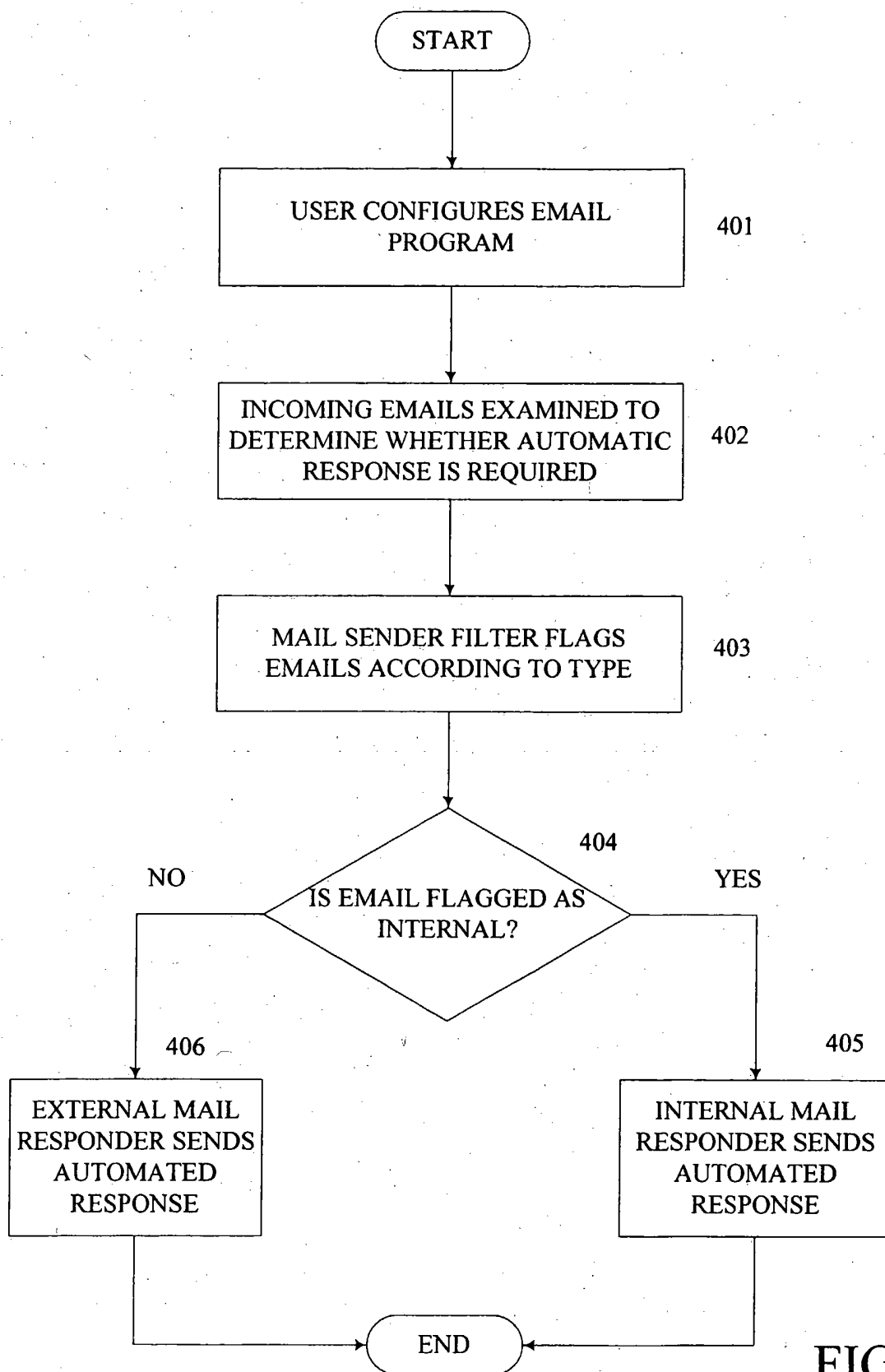> For urgent issues, call cellphone (888) 555-3456.

FIG. 2

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┌─────────────────────────┐
│   User Interface 302     │
└─────────────────────────┘
     │        ╲
  Configure    ╲
     │          ╲              ┌─────────────────────────┐
     │           ╲────────────▶│   Mail Sender Filter 301 │
     │            ╲            └─────────────────────────┘
     │             ╲
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┌─────────────────────────┐    ▼
│ External Mail Responder  │  ┌─────────────────────────┐
│         305              │  │ Internal Mail Responder  │
├─────────────────────────┤  │         303              │
│  Automatic Response 306  │  ├─────────────────────────┤
└─────────────────────────┘  │  Automatic Response 304  │
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FIG. 3

START

USER CONFIGURES EMAIL PROGRAM — 401

INCOMING EMAILS EXAMINED TO DETERMINE WHETHER AUTOMATIC RESPONSE IS REQUIRED — 402

MAIL SENDER FILTER FLAGS EMAILS ACCORDING TO TYPE — 403

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IS EMAIL FLAGGED AS INTERNAL?

NO

YES

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EXTERNAL MAIL RESPONDER SENDS AUTOMATED RESPONSE

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INTERNAL MAIL RESPONDER SENDS AUTOMATED RESPONSE

END

FIG. 4